



### OUR FATHER'S BUSINESS



Today

Preacher, Pastor Thadeus Flitter

Music — Kristen Hillmann

Adult Bible Study / Teen Bible Study / Sunday School @ 9:05am

12/13

Bible Information Class 6pm

12/13

Praise Choir 6pm

**CHRISTMAS SERVICE SET-UP**—We will be setting up the gym on Sunday, December 17th following the 10:15am worship service for our upcoming Christmas Eve services. Please arrive in the gym around 11:15am. Any help would be greatly appreciated!

**MISSION BOXES**—The Mission boxes are at each entrance/exit for our monthly freewill donations toward World and Home missions to be designated by the Lutheran Women’s Missionary Society. November donations amounted to \$75.00. The designated mission through April is Tools for Outreach which helps new home mission churches to become known in their communities . Your gifts will help support various approaches to allow the mission to get its message out in an efficient manner such as developing websites, running ads on social media platforms, preparing, purchasing, and distributing flyers, running radio/TV ads, etc. Thank you for your support. The Central Africa Medical Mission December news, is posted on the bulletin board at the church entrance.

**ADOPT A FAMILY** - St. John-St. James is collecting donations to purchase Christmas gifts for a family in need who lives in Manitowoc County. We have been assigned a family with 6 children this year and need your help to make their Christmas a blessed one! If you would like to shop & donate a specific gift, please pick up a tag from the board in the back of church or the school commons. Cash donations & gift cards (SCRIP) are also welcome. Please drop off your donations (**unwrapped**) in the collection boxes in the back of church or the school commons by **Sunday, December 17th**. (Gift receipts are appreciated!)

**2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES**—2024 offering envelopes can be found in the west office of church. They are in alphabetical order for easy pick-up. Please pick them up at your earliest convenience, as they will not be mailed out.

**SEMINARY FOOD PANTRY**—The Seminary Food Pantry drive ends **TODAY**, Sunday, December 10th.

**DIVINE CALLS** —At our recent call meeting, our voters extended a call to Mr. Andrew Mantz to serve as our Principal & Teacher for grades 6 -8. A part-time call (75%) was also extended to Mrs. Emily Mantz (Andrew’s wife) to teach grades 6-8 (Administrative Release) & Exceptional Learners. Andrew & Emily are both currently serving at Christ the King Academy in Palm Coast, FL. Please keep the Mantz Family in your prayers as they deliberate where the Lord can best use their talents and abilities. Feel free to contact them with words of encouragement at [andrew.mantz@gmail.com](mailto:andrew.mantz@gmail.com) or [emilymantz1@gmail.com](mailto:emilymantz1@gmail.com).

**SHOP SCRIP**—The SJSJ Scrip Program would love to help you with your Christmas shopping! SCRIP gift cards make excellent gifts. If you are not familiar with our SCRIP Pro gram, please contact the school office for more information or visit [www.raiseright.com](http://www.raiseright.com). The enrollment code for our organization is: A755918L7794. Please remember that if we do not have what you need in our inventory or you need a large amount, we can certainly order it and have it available for you within a week.

<b>SJSJ Building Fund Account</b>		
<b>November 2023</b>		
11/01/2023		\$26,143.96
<b>Deposits</b>		
In Honor Of/Memorials	\$1,621.00	
11/7/2023	\$2,023.00	
11/14/2023	\$3,513.20	
11/21/2023	\$3,175.00	
11/28/2023	\$1,475.00	
Electronic Offerings	\$1,080.00	
School Choice	\$8,344.50	
<b>Total Deposits</b>	<b>\$21,231.70</b>	
<b>Withdrawals</b>		
Member Loan Interest	\$1,481.25	
Transfer to Loan	\$4,685.00	
Transfer to Loan	\$4,685.00	
School Choice	\$8,344.50	
<b>Total Withdrawals</b>	<b>\$19,195.75</b>	
Ending Balance		\$28,179.91
<b>Outstanding BankFirst Loan Balance for Building Project</b>		
<b>\$659,078.75</b>		
<b>Outstanding MEMBER Loan Balance for Building Project</b>		
<b>\$380,000.00</b>		

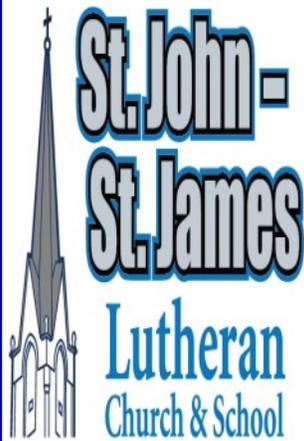
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**Times of Worship:** Sunday 8am & 10:15am ~ Adult Bible Study /Teen Bible Study /Sunday School 9:05am  
**Church Office Hours:** 1:00pm—3:00pm Monday thru Wednesday

Send Bulletin Information to [kjanssen@stjohnstjames.com](mailto:kjanssen@stjohnstjames.com); [jsheahan@stjohnstjames.com](mailto:jsheahan@stjohnstjames.com)  
**Wednesday Deadline**



**SCHOOL OFFICE INFORMATION:** School Office Phone: 920-754-4432

**Rick Zimmerman, Principal**  
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School Office Hours: 7:30am – 3:00pm M-F Scrip available for purchase during office hours.

### Second Sunday in Advent - Sunday, December 10, 2023

**SERVING YOU THIS WEEK** ■ **Sunday, December 10 — 8:00am Ushers** - Dan/Paula Bubolz, Gene Wagner, Eugene Rosera, Nathan Rosera, Jeff Doemel **10:15am Ushers** — Glen Behnke, Roger Bubolz, Dan Bratz, Jim Bubolz, Alex Bubolz, James Kenneke  
■ **Flower Committee** —Joan Sheahan, Val Jean Link ■ **Church Cleaners 11/27—12/10** Nancy Hillmann, Sarah Miller, Roger/Judy Hoida ■ **Communion Set-up/Take-down** — Karla Aden, Chantel Bastian, Joan Sheahan

**SERVING YOU NEXT WEEK** ■ **Sunday, December 17 — 8:00am Ushers** - Dan Duchow, Jeff Herzog, Brad Busse, Jade Busse, Marshall Kirkpatrick **10:15am Ushers** — Paul Kiekhaefer, John Brodtke, Jeremy Foytik, Delton Kasten, Nathan Kasten ■ **Flower Committee** —Joan Sheahan, Val Jean Link ■ **Church Cleaners 12/11—12/24** Yvonne Wenzlaff, Gail/Randy Denor

**CHRISTMAS BAGS**—It is that time of the year when we begin to think about filling the Christmas bags that the children receive after our Christmas Eve Worship Services. If you would like to donate towards the candy, oranges and apples for the bags please leave your donation in the box labeled "Christmas Bags" on the table in the West Church office.

**CHRISTMAS GREETING CARDS**—We are again offering Christmas greeting cards for the Christmas Season. Christmas cards will be available in the Commons this year. Please pay Amanda Schrubbe in the school office for your cards, during school hours. Prices for the cards are on each box. Payment box will be available on Sundays by the cards.

**USHERS**—The 2024 Ushers schedules are printed and available for pickup in the West office of church.

**MEMORIAL**—Thank you to Gene & Charmaine Wagner for the gift of money to the Building Fund in memory of Lyle Mangin.

**BUDGET SHORTFALL**—Our budget shortfall was \$13,000.00. We are holding a special offering to pay this back to Charities within our church. We thank you very much for your offerings. Since the end of October we have received \$4,970.00, still need \$8,030. To completely retire our debt to Charities at this time, we need \$13,167.82.

#### SPECIAL DECEMBER SERVICES

**Children's Christmas Eve Service** Friday, December 22—8:30 am (Gym)  
& Sunday, December 24 at 5:30 pm (Gym)

**Sunday Worship Service**, Sunday December 24 at **9:00 am** (Church)

**Candlelight Christmas Service**, Sunday, December 24 at 7:00 pm (Church)

**Christmas Day Worship Service**, Monday, December 25 at 9:00 am (Church)

**New Year's Eve Worship Services**, Sunday, December 31 at 8:00 am & 10:15 am (Church)

#### Church Attendance

**Sunday, 12/03** 8:00 am — 95 10:15am — 148 TOTAL —243

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE				
12/03/23 & Electronic Offerings				
FUND	NEEDED WEEKLY	GIVEN THIS WEEK	WEEKLY Over/ (Under)	FISCAL YTD Over/(Under)
General Fund	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 9,959.00	\$ (1,041.00)	\$ 2,550.64
Synod	\$ 538.00	\$ 321.00	\$ (217.00)	\$ (2,203.50)
MLHS	\$ 452.00	\$ 492.00	\$ 40.00	\$ (1,885.50)
Building Fund	\$ 2,312.00	\$ 965.00	\$ (1,347.00)	\$ 4,317.20

Debt Retirement Fund — \$50